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### SOME ESTABLISHED FACTS

Which Republicans Would Like to Forget, but Which Democrats Should Remember.

If we accept the theory of some of our Republican friends, the political party to which they belong can do no wrong. According to their theory that party is not to be held responsible for the sins of commission or of omission in its name and under its authority.

It was in the name and for the use and benefit of the Republican party that "a hurry up call" was made, during the closing hours of the campaign of 1896, for a boodle fund of \$5,000,000. That call was responded to. The men who gave it posed as "defenders of national honor," but as we have learned in the recent exposures before the New York insurance committee, they had small concern for their own honor when they took other people's money for the enrichment of the Republican campaign fund.

The men whose frauds have recently been exposed were, during the campaign of 1896, referred to by Republican newspapers as models of good citizens, as "representatives of the business interests of the country," and as men whose advice should be followed by patriotic citizens. The American people know today that but for the frauds and embezzlements committed by those men Republican victory would have been impossible. Yet Republican newspapers finding it impossible to conceal or apologize for the wrongdoing on the part of their patron saints, expect the people to overlook the very important facts that many of these embezzlements were made for the benefit of the Republican party; and that they were made with at least the implied understanding that the Republican victory meant a reign of frenzied financial engineering, an era of trust-building, new opportunity for plunder by so-called captains of industry, and immunity for those who were willing to commit crime under the rise of "business enterprise."

In the name of the Republican party the machine, against which he good people of Philadelphia and Pennsylvania generally battled waged war against public interests. In Ohio the machine against which the people of that state revolted, was admitted, the official representative of the Republican party. But now some Republican newspapers and leaders, insisting yet

that their party is the "God and morality" organization, point to the overthrow of their party in Ohio and Pennsylvania as victories for righteousness, expecting the people to forget the part borne by the Republican party and its representatives in those great contests.

Some Republican newspapers and leaders point to the contest for railroad regulation as a battle for the people's rights. They admit that the corporation lobby is using disreputable methods to prevent the people from obtaining relief, yet while all the time insisting that their party is "the people's party" they expect the people to forget that railroad regulation failed at the last session of congress because of the Republican senate's subversion to corporate interests; and they look the people who will overlook the facts that if railroad regulation fails at the coming session the failure will be because the Republican senate is wedded to its corporate idols and that the people have nothing to expect at the hands of that Republican body.

Boasting that the Republican party may be depended upon to provide a business administration of public affairs, these Republican editors expect the people to overlook the gross extravagance, the private snags, the embezzlements and the frauds generally that have been committed under Republican administrations. They expect the people to forget the deficit for the last fiscal year and to overlook the prospective deficit for the current year.

Dietrich, Burton and Mitchell, United States senators, and the several representatives in congress who were required to answer to criminal indictments, were elected to office by the Republican party. But we must forget that fact.

Former Governor Odell, who has not clearly explained how he happened to be paid \$75,000 in the settlement of a suit pending against the Equitable Life Assurance society, is the present day Republican boss of New York. But we must forget that fact.

The frauds committed by the Machens and others in the post-office department were committed by men who, in 1896, were either avowed Republicans or were so zealous for the "national honor" that they rushed to the support of the Republican ticket in that campaign, and held their offices under Republican administration. But we must forget that fact.

The frauds committed in Cuba by the Neelys were perpetrated by distinguished Republicans, and

under Republican administration. But we must forget it.

Loomis, whose official transactions in Venezuela were so discreditable that, although, plainly, he had the friendship of the administration, he was required to retire from the diplomatic service, was one of the noisiest pretenders in 1896; and his official existence was made possible by the Republican party. But we must forget it.

Depew, the United States Senator lately unmasked in various ways, pleaded in 1896 for what he called "the salvation of the country." He was elected and re-elected to the senate by the Republican party, and with all his discreditable conduct still holds his official position without serious protest on the part of Republican leaders. But we must forget these facts.

McCall, McCurdy, Hyde, Harrison and other famous financiers who have recently inserted the probe, were greatly exercised in 1896 lest the honor of the United States be tarnished. They are the men upon whose testimony the Republican party has often relied to prove that it is, in fact and in deed, the party of "God and morality." But we must forget it.

Andrews, the Detroit banker, who charged the Democratic candidate in 1896 with being "the dishonest leader of dishonest men," and was subsequently shown to be an embezzler to the extent of \$1,600,000, was a champion of the Republican party. But we must forget it.

Bigelow, the Milwaukee banker who recently defaulted to the extent of more than three million dollars, pleaded for the election of the Republican ticket in 1896 in order that the "business interests" of the country might be preserved. But we must forget it.

Rockefeller and every one of his cheaper imitations—men who seek to pile up wealth at the expense of their helpless fellows—not only vote the Republican ticket, but, from their ill-gotten gains, contribute liberally to Republican campaign funds. But we must forget it.—The Commoner.

### Cotton Ginned.

Washington, Dec. 9.—The census bureau announces that the quantity of cotton ginned from the growth of 1905 to December 1 was 8,684,842 bales, counting round as half bales.

### Brother Ex-President Harrison Dead.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 9.—Capt. Carter Harrison, brother of the late President Benjamin Harrison, died at his home, near Murfreesboro, Tenn., aged 65 years.

### OTHERWISE UNNOTICED

Senator Proctor, of Vermont, is to resign.

Irish home rule has again gone glimmering.

Venezuela resumes diplomatic relations with Colombia.

A faint comet is visible, through telescopes, near the sun.

Secretary Shaw recommends more elastic currency to congress.

Democratic caucus returns Senator Morgan to senate leadership.

Average condition of winter wheat reported by government is 94.1.

Big Four's Danville & Indiana Harbor extension is nearly finished.

Gran Ferry has been appointed adjutant general of Indiana, in succession to Ward.

Admiral Converse advises creation of navy board to make fleet efficient fighting power.

Gold projects steamship service between Europe and Galveston to connect with his route.

Murder of American missionaries in China is to be revenged by execution of three ringleaders.

Jim Walker, colored, was legally hanged at Atlanta, Ga., for assault on the wife of a white merchant.

Meeting of the St. Louis Terminal board called for Wednesday, December 20, to consider the government's suit.

Gov. Folk, of Missouri, and W. R. Hearst will be invited to address Kansas democrats at a banquet, February 22.

J. C. Van Blarcom stated to succeed W. R. Thompson, deceased, as president of National Bank of Commerce, St. Louis.

Secretary of the Interior Hitchcock denounces land frauds in his annual report, and says an important era in Indian affairs is at hand.

Edward Atkinson, economist, publicist and statistician, stricken with acute indigestion on way to his office, and died shortly afterward.

J. P. Morgan, it is said, has plans for annexing the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton to the Southern and the Queen & Crescent for a Gulf outlet.

Golden Western Pacific line from Salt Lake to San Francisco will be extended to the heart of southern California, reaching Los Angeles.

Mrs. Berry, the woman who created excitement at Girard, Kas., by converting a passenger coach into a fortress, has been sent to a sanitarium in Kansas City.

The portie has replied to the collective note of the ambassadors, in reference to the demands concerning Macedonia, accepting the terms. The incident is now closed.

Maj. Hugh N. Swain, U. S. A., retired, was acquitted at Houston, Tex., on the charge of murder in the second degree in connection with the killing of Charles N. Jones, an insurance man.

The postmaster-general in his annual report does not believe a parcel post is practicable at this time, neither is a reduction in letter postage. The deficiency during the past fiscal year was \$14,572,584.

## SENATOR JOHN MITCHELL DEAD

Passed Away at His Home in Portland, From a Complication of Diseases.

HIS WIFE WAS ABSENT.

VISITING DAUGHTER IN PARIS

End of the Career of a Man Who Led an Active Life in the Far Northwest, and Who Was a Political Power in Oregon in His Day.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 9.—Senator John H. Mitchell is dead.

For many hours Mr. Mitchell bled from a cavity in his jaw, from which four aching teeth had been extracted. The senator had been suffering for some time from diabetes, complicated by a number of other troubles, and the great loss of blood left him in a very weak condition. He was removed to a hospital.

**Senator Mitchell's Career.**

John Huppel Mitchell was born in Washington county, Pa., June 22, 1825. During his infancy he was taken by his parents to Butler county, where he was reared on a farm. He received the rudiments of an education at a district school and when aged 17 began teaching to secure means to pay his tuition at Butler academy, from which he later graduated.

After graduating from the academy he studied law in the office of Former Attorney-General of Pennsylvania Hon. Samuel A. Purviance. He practiced law in Pennsylvania until April, 1860, when he went to California, locating first at San Luis Obispo, and later at San Francisco. In July of that year he located in Portland, Ore. The energy that characterized his entire career caused his election, on the republican ticket, as town counsel of Portland in 1867. The next year he was elected to the state senate. He failed of election to the United States senate in 1866 by one vote.

He formed a law partnership in 1862 with the late United States Senator J. N. Dolph. In 1873 Mr. Mitchell was elected to the United States senate. A democratic legislature in 1875 failed to return him to the senate. He engaged in the practice of law at Portland until 1885, when he was again elected United States senator at a special session of the legislature, that body having failed to choose a senator either in 1881 or 1883.

He failed to be returned in 1897, and followed his profession, in partnership with Judge A. H. Tanner, until 1901, when the legislature again choose him as one of the state's representatives in the United States senate.

**Convicted on Bribe.**

It was only when his connection with a conspiracy to defraud the government of its public domain was manifested by his conviction in the federal court that he lost the political influence which he had held during the greater part of half a century. From his seventeenth birthday, June 22, last, the day on which his guilt was decreed, Senator Mitchell rapidly declined.

### MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

Olivia Floyd Dead.

La Plata—Olivia Floyd, the famous woman confederate blockade runner, died at her home near here, aged 81. She descended from the princess of Ulster, was related to Admiral Semmes, and was one of the most remarkable women in the south. During the civil war she was one of the most daring runners of the "underground railroad" between Washington and Richmond, and once defied a whole company of union soldiers. Miss Floyd conveyed clothes, money and letters through the lines from prison and prisoners. At one time she had delivered to her \$50,000 in bank notes to keep for an individual, who was in hiding. She placed it in a hamock, folding it away among the material with which the hamock was stuffed, and oftentimes the federal soldiers in visiting and searching the house sat upon the hamock, ignorant of the fact that it contained a fortune. The full amount of this deposit was subsequently returned to the owner.

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### NOBEL PRIZES GIVEN OUT

Baroness Von Suttner, of Austria, Declared the Winner of the Nobel Peace Prize.

Stockholm, Dec. 11.—The Nobel prizes were distributed at the royal academy of music, Sunday, by King Oscar in the presence of a distinguished gathering, including all of the members of the royal family and of the diplomatic corps. The recipients of the prizes were:

in Physics, Philipp Lenard, professor of Kiel university, for researches in cathode rays; in chemistry, Adolf Von Baeyer, professor at the University of Munich, for researches leading to the evolution of organic chemistry and the development of the chemical industry; in medicine, Prof. Robert Koch, of Berlin, for researches leading to the prevention of tuberculosis, and in literature, Henry Sienkiewicz, the Polish novelist.

Mme. Sienkiewicz was unable to be present, being ill at Cracow.

**Winner of the Nobel Peace Prize.**

Christiana, Dec. 12.—King Haakon and Queen Maud, the ministers of state, the members of the storting and the members of the diplomatic corps and their ladies were present at the Nobel institute, where in solemn ceremonial Baroness von Suttner, of Austria, was adjudged the winner of the Nobel peace prize. The baroness for many years has been prominent in international movements looking to the peace of the world. She was one of the Austrian delegates to the international peace conference held in Boston a year ago.

**Peabody Mutual's President.**

New York, Dec. 11.—The Mutual life's self-investigating committee and the other members of the company's board of trustees, who have been supporting that body, have yielded to the Rogers-Baker faction in the board, and Charles A. Peabody is to be elected permanent president of the institution.

**Miss Roosevelt Reported Engaged.**

New York, Dec. 12.—A Washington dispatch to the Herald states that Mrs. Roosevelt will soon announce the engagement of Miss Alice Roosevelt to Congressman Nicholas Longworth, of Cincinnati. The wedding, it is said, may occur before the winter is really over.

**A Little Three Year Old Boy Caught His Thumb in the Gearing of a Washing Machine and it was so badly mangled that it will probably have to be amputated.**

A fine piece of mineral, resembling gold and silver quartz, has been found on two St. Genevieve county farms.

The Maiden Merit says that the land stealing graft is being rapidly developed in Dunklin county.

A Provident Association is to be organized in Dexter for charity work this winter.

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### POPE NAMES CARDINALS

For First Time in History One is Appointed From Among Latin-American People.

Rome, Dec. 12.—The pope has appointed four new cardinals, as follows: Immediately after reading his allocution he created the following cardinals: The Most Rev. Joseph Samanra, archbishop of Erlau, Hungary; Monsignor Spinola, archbishop of Seville; Monsignor J. A. de Arcoveide de Albuquerque Calvanti, archbishop of Rio de Janeiro; Monsignor Caputo de Azevedo, major domo of the Vatican.

Among the bishops appointed was Rev. T. Meerschaut for Oklahoma. The raising of Calvanti to a cardinal is the first cardinal to be appointed among the Latin-American people.

### STREETS OF RIGA FLOW WITH BLOOD

After a Meeting, Railroad Men Are Mowed Down With Fire of Machine Guns.

ARREST OF ALLEGED LEADER OF REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT

Five Ministers, including Witte, Sent Their Resignations to Czar. But Were Rejected—Soldiers Reported in Station at All Green Posts, including Citadel of Moscow.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 12.—Absolute anarchy prevails. A messenger who has arrived here declares that the streets of Riga are flowing with blood. After a meeting the railroad men of Riga were mowed down by the fire of machine guns and artillery.

The arrest of Krustaleff.

Minister of the Interior Durnavo, at St. Petersburg, acting on the belief that a project was being framed for a formal attempt to overthrow the Russian government January 1, on Sunday arrested Krustaleff, believed to be the leader of the project. No resistance was made, and most of Krustaleff's papers were captured.

As a result of the arrest of Krustaleff, a general strike throughout Russia is looked for.

Five Ministers Offer Resignations.

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Residents are banking their valuables in the Imperial bank, panic-stricken at a declaration made by the revolutionaries that all Russian paper money would be repudiated by them.

Soldiers Are Mutinous.

Soldiers are mutinying at all the great posts—Khar'kov, Kiev, Ekaterinopol and Kuznetsk. The troops in Moscow citadel are reported to have broken out in revolt Sunday.

Capt. Bronitsky, a naval chief, was arrested Sunday night, charged with a conspiracy against a high personage, in which students of technical schools are concerned.

Believe Witte Must Fall.

London, Dec. 12.—A St. Petersburg dispatch declares that Count Witte declares he will resign rather than use coercion.

The situation is exceedingly ominous. Public opinion is practically unanimous that the government has entered upon the fatal path of reaction, and that Witte's ministry must fall. Both Gen. Trepoft and Gen. Count Lieoff, according to the popular impression, are being held in reserve to execute the programme of repression.

It is again said that the entire Cossack strength of 400,000 will be mobilized in a supreme effort to crush the revolutionary forces.

The latest advices received from the Baltic provinces reported the destruction of churches, the murder of land owners and the pillaging of property.

**Alleged Sacking of Harbin.**

London, Dec. 11.—The Daily Telegraph's Tokyo correspondent states that the first part of a long dispatch from Mori giving accounts in circumstantial detail by refugees of the alleged sacking and burning of Harbin by mutinous troops, the desperate fighting between the mutineers and imperial troops, and the massacre of many innocent Russian and Chinese residents.

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